REMARKS

Favorable reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested in view of the following remarks.

Appreciation is expressed to Examiner Beaulieu for the indicated allowability of Claims 7 and 8, and for the indication that the other claims in this application would be allowable if amended to address minor informalities. Claims 1, 5 and 6 have been amended to address the minor informalities pointed out in the Official Action. Such amendments do not narrow the claim scope. Withdrawal of the claim objections is respectfully requested.

Also, the original Abstract has been amended to delete the use of the term "means." Also, it is believed that the Abstract meets the 150 word limit.

In light of the foregoing, it is believed that this application is in condition for allowance and such action is earnestly solicited.

As a final matter, the Examiner's comments at the top half of page three of the Official Action are noted. It is understood that such comments are not intended to imply that each of the independent claims in this application includes all of the noted features or that the claims recite the particular wording set forth in the Official Action. For example, independent Claim 7 does not define the initial traveling locus deviation calculation means mentioned at the top half of page three of the Official Action, and independent Claim 1 does not recite the number counting means and operation of the parking assist means mentioned at the top half of page three of the Official Action. It is also understood that comments at the top half of page three of the Official Action are merely intended as a short hand reference to certain aspects of

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the claimed combinations of features and are not intended to imply that the claims set forth the particular wording used in the Official Action.

Early and favorable consideration of this application is respectfully requested.

Should any questions arise in connection with this application or should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference with the undersigned would be helpful in resolving any remaining issues pertaining to this application the undersigned respectfully requests that he be contacted at the number indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,

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